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SUBJECT: AMIGOS DE LAS AMERICAS: CRITICISM OF U.S. VOLUNTEER

GROUP REPEATED HERE

1. LOCAL MEDIA HAVE GIVEN PROMIENT PLAY TO UPI REPORTS FROM COLUMBIA THAT MEMBERS OF U.S. YOUTH VOLUNTEER GROUP "AMIGOS DE LAS AMERICAS" WERE GIVING INJECTIONS AGAINST MEASLES THAT INCLUDED A STERILIZATION AGENT. ATTENTION HAS BEEN DRAWN POINTEDLY TO FACT THAT GROUP OF "AMIGOS" PRESENTLY IN PARAGUAY CARRYING OUT VACCINATION PROGRAM UNDER ARRANGEMENTS WITH MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

2. A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH HAS ISSUED PRESS STATEMENT WITH SOMEWHAT DEFENSIVE CLAIM THAT "THERE IS NOTHING TO FEAR" FROM THE AMIGOS. SPOKESMAN NOTED THE YOUNG VOLUNTEERS HAVE COME TO PARAGUAY (DURING THEIR SCHOOL VACATIONS) FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS TO ADMINISTER "LICENSED" U.S. MANUFACTURED DRUGS UNDER PROGRAM SUPERVISED BY MINISTRY.
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